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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In Re Application of
Victor M. Markowitz
Serial No.: 09/862,424
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AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents
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Attention: Cheyne D. Ly
Examiner

Dear Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action dated February 26, 2003. Included herewith is payment for a three month extension of time for response to the Office Action. Please amend the application as follows:

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2.

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 11.

Remarks begin on page 20.

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